

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:332

ANSWERED ON:15.04.2008

PROMOTION OF EARLY SELF READING HABITS AMONG CHILDREN

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of assistance and guidance being given to the State Governments to promote early self-reading habits among the school children as a part of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan; and

(b) the details of the States which have set up their own Reading Development Cells alongwith the number of schools where separate reading rooms have been set up in the last year?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) to (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.332 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15th APRIL,2008 ASKED BY SHRI K.J.S.P. REDDY, M.P. REGARDING PROMOTION OF EARLY SELF-READING HABITS AMONG CHILDREN

(a) to (b): Under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) programme, promotion of early reading among school children is being supported amongst multiple strategies for enhancement of quality of elementary education. A programme for promoting reading in the early primary grades is being guided by the National Council for Educational Research and Training (NCERT) wherein workshops and orientation meetings have been held in 11 States during 2007-08. Seven States have initiated activities for early reading under this initiative.